Call to Order

President Powers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call


Absent: None

Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Duer, second from Hanks, to approve the agenda as presented.

Yes: 7  No: 0

Consent Agenda

A. Approved the payment of the bills (checks numbered 60055 - 60115) in the amount of $272,685.16.

B. Approved the minutes for the August 13, 2018 work session and the August 20, 2018 regular Council meeting.

C. Approved the Seventh Amendment to Restated Contract for the Grand Haven-Spring Lake Sewer Authority.

D. Approved the Wastewater Treatment & Collection System 2018 Improvements Contract.

E. Approved the publication of the proposed water ordinance amendment.

F. Approved budget amendments for the 2018/2019 fiscal year.

G. Approved to refer the short-term rental ordinance to the Planning Commission for their consideration.
Motion by Hanks, second from Miller, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Yes: 7  No: 0

6. General Business

A. You Make the Difference Award

Subject: Back in February 2017 staff reached out to Brian Grabinski regarding the sign that hung on the front of Village Hall that was crafted by his father. It was in desperate need of some attention and it was important to be respectful of the original craftsmanship. Needless to say, Brian offered to restore the sign. It took 2 summers and lots of emails, but it finally happened. Brian and his mom delivered the sign to the Village a couple of weeks ago. When asked for an invoice, Brian replied, “I can’t accept payment for this. I was happy to do it.” It would be appropriate to recognize Brian for his work and contribution to the Village.

President Powers presented Brian Grabinski with the You Make the Difference Award. Council thanked Mr. Grabinski and his wife for their time and attention to restoring the Village sign that his father had hand crafted.

Mr. Grabinski explained that the community had done so much to support his family when his dad had passed away, so he and his wife were happy to give back in some small way and also to work on something that his dad had made.

B. Motion to Enter into a Public Hearing to Amend the Fire Code Ordinance, Chapter 177.

Motion by Van Strate, second from TePastte, to open the Public Hearing at 7:09 p.m.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Petrus, second from Hanks, to close the Public Hearing at 7:09 p.m.

Yes: 7  No: 0

Yes: 7  No: 0

C. Motion to Enter into a Public Hearing to Consider Amending Chapter 135 of the Village of Spring Lake Code of Ordinances concerning Burning Regulations.

Motion by Van Strate, second from TePastte to open the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Yes: 7  No: 0

There was no public comment.

Motion by TePastte, second from Miller, to close the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Yes: 7  No: 0

Motion by Hanks, second from Petrus, to adopt the amendment to the Village of Spring Lake Code of Ordinance, Chapter 135, restated in its entirety to control unregulated burning in the Village.

Yes: 7  No: 0

7. Department Reports

A. Village Manager – Burns shared a picture of the painting of the oak tree that had been at the middle school and said she was waiting on an answer from the library if they would like to hang the painting there so that more people could enjoy it. Burns also reported that Steve Nauta was stepping down from his seat on the Library Board because of the way the meetings were scheduled, he had not been able to attend any of them and it didn’t look like that would change. Burns said they would need to find someone to fill that seat sooner rather than later. Burns shared that Stuhlmann had asked to get the remaining cement pads poured at Tanglefoot Park this fall, at a cost of approximately $12,000. Burns said that VanKampen had suggested that that area could be better utilized as another entrance to the Village by being able to tie boats at the sea wall and docks and have a playground and splash pad for kids. Burns asked Council if they were interested in waiting to replace the cement pads until spring in order to consider VanKampen’s ideas. Council asked that the Parks & Recreation board look into Ms. VanKampen’s suggestion and through waiting until spring to pour the pads might be a good idea.

B. Clerk/Treasurer/Finance Director
C. OCSO
D. Fire
8. Old Business and Reports by the Village Council – There was no Old Business.

9. New Business and Reports by Village Council – There was no New Business.


12. Adjournment

Motion by Van Strate, second from Hanks, Village Council adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Yes: 7  No: 0

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Mark Powers, Village President    Maryann Fonkert, Deputy Clerk